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COMMISSIONERS VIEW NEW S.E.A.T.S. VAN...The members of the Coffee County Commission took time out recently during a break in a meeting to view a new van that will serve the citizens of Coffee County as part of the Southeast Alabama Transit System (SEATS). Pictured above are (l-r) Damascus Crittenden, Billy Egerton, Sid Averett, Robert Stephens, Jimmy Bryan, Probate Judge Marion Brunson, Commission Clerk Brunese Winston, Bill Faulk and B.F. Garth, SEATS official.

Federal courts give final approval to redistricting plan for New Brockton

The City of New Brockton received final approval of its redistricting plan last week in federal court and Mayor Jim Driskell reports that everything is on "go" for the upcoming city elections in August.

New Brockton, as were other cities across the state, was forced to abandon its "at-large" method of electing council members after a federal judge ruled that the method diluted black voting strength and city officials had worked hard attempting to draw a district map that would be acceptable to the federal courts.

"We spent many long hours trying to devise a district system that would meet federal regulations and at the same time be fair to all the

citizens of New Brockton," stated Mayor Driskell, "and we believe we have been able to do just that. We presented the map with the district lines in federal court last week and received the court's approval."

Under the newly adopted district system New Brockton will be divided into five districts, with one council member from that district to be elected by the voters of that

district. "We have deputy registrars in each and every district," stated Driskell, "and anyone who wishes to vote that hasn't qualified before may do so by getting in contact with one of the deputy registrars. We have a map here at City Hall showing the district lines and will publish the map and the complete voter's list in a county newspaper prior to the August election. If a citizen wishes to know what district they are in they may do so by coming to City Hall or by calling City Hall. The maps should be available early next week and the citizen's will have plenty of time to find their district before qualifying for office begins."

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Grand Jury indicts Shiloh man

The Coffee County Grand Jury last week indicted a rural Coffee

County man accused of capital murder in connection with the March 12 strangulation death of a seven-year-old Enterprise youth.

William Thomas Horstead, age 32, of the Shiloh Community, was arrested near midnight on March 12 and later charged with capital murder and interfering with the custody of a child. The capital murder charge carried with it two alternate charges alleging that Horstead had choked Antonio Jermaine Brundidge to death while committing sodomy or while engaged in or attempting to engage in sexual contact.

Horstead, described as a friend of

the Brundidge family, was reportedly the last person seen with the youth prior to the discovery of the youth's body in a vacant lot in Enterprise.

At an initial hearing on March 15, Horstead denied being connected with the murder and stated "I didn't do nothing."

District Judge Tom Head cautioned the accused that the hearing's purpose was not to have him make a plea.

Horstead will be represented in the case by two court appointed attorneys, Joseph Sawyer and Richard Waldrop, both of Enterprise.

National Security files lawsuit to regain stock

The National Security Insurance Company, of Elba, announced last week that it had filed a lawsuit in an attempt to recover over 200,000 shares of the company's common stock that had been purchased by a Louisiana millionaire during an apparent effort to take over the local insurance company.

The wording of the lawsuit stated that National Security was seeking the "immediate sequestration of 226,243 shares of its outstanding stock illegally acquired and beneficially held by Mutual Savings Life Insurance Company, the prohibition of the voting of the shares by Mutual Savings and the divestiture of Mutual Savings of its shares."

Louis Roussel, a Louisiana financier who is the majority stockholder of Mutual Savings, purchased 22.2% of National Security's stock last year from an Atlanta, Georgia company and later stated publicly that he had hopes of purchasing majority ownership in the company and that if the attempt was successful he would "fire everyone" at the Elba firm except for the sales force.

Alabama Insurance Commissioner Jack Greeno conducted a hearing on the acquisition of the stock and in March ruled against Roussel.

Despite the failure to approve the acquisition of the stock, Greeno failed to clarify what would be done with the stock that had already been purchased by Roussel.

National Security, in the lawsuit, stated that Mutual Savings continued to retain possession and

ultimate voting control of National Security's shares although the selling shareholders (Atlantic American) are still reflected as the shareholders of record, since Mutual Savings has failed to file proper paperwork stating its ownership of the stock.

National Security also contends that when the annual shareholders meeting is held on April 21 Mutual Savings will "directly or indirectly" attempt to "illegally vote the shares and, thereby, profit from its illegal act."

National Security is asking the court for a preliminary injunction requiring the immediate sequestration of the shares in question and that neither Mutual Savings or Atlantic American not be allowed to

vote at the meeting. National Security is also asking that Mutual Savings be forced to pay reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Elba company in connection with the hearing before Greeno.

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1988 Miss Elba pageant set for Saturday night at 7:00

The 1988 Miss Elba Pageant will be held on Saturday, April 9 at 7:00 p.m. at the Elba High School auditorium with a total of seven lovely young ladies competing for the coveted title.

The winner of the pageant will advance to represent Elba in the National Peanut Festival pageant in Dothan this fall and will also act as the city's "First Lady" during her

reign. Local contestants will be judged on written communications, verbal communications, judges' interview, response to impromptu question and appearance on stage.

The seven young ladies, all of whom are juniors at Elba High School, competing for the title include Tara Rhodes, Denise Smith,

Tammy Williams, Whitney Wise, Melissa Johnson, Jeanie Clark and Lucinda Byrd.

Entertainment for the event will be provided by the award winning dancers from the Edmunds Academy of Dance and Gymnastics, of Enterprise.

Admission to the pageant will be \$3 adults and \$2 students.

County candidates continue to qualify for June 7 primaries

With the deadline to qualify for the upcoming June primaries only one day away the election officials continued to be busy this week as additional political hopefuls threw their hats in the ring.

On the Republican side of the ledger the races became interesting as two earlier qualifiers drew opposition. John W. McCrummen entered the County Commission race in District 6 and will oppose incumbent Bill Faulk, who recently switched to the Republican Party.

Others to enter the political arena included Bobby M. Williams as Constable in Beat 10 and Daniel B. Thompson as Constable in Beat 2.

The qualifying ends on Friday, April 8 at 5:00 p.m. and additional candidates are expected.

Kindergarten registration set April 21-22 in Elba

Kindergarten registration for Elba City Schools for the 1988-89 school year will be Thursday, April 21 - 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Friday, April 22 - 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at the Elba Elementary School.

All students must have a birth certificate and blue immunization

certificate at the time of registration. He/she must be five years of age on or before Oct. 1.

Educational services are provided for 5-year-old exceptional students. Present kindergarten students will attend school on these two days as usual.

Reward offered for info leading to arrest at Rucker

The Ft. Rucker Criminal Investigation Unit (CID) and the FBI are offering a reward up to \$3,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of suspect(s) involved in two sexual assaults that occurred on the base in 1987.

The assaults occurred during the nights of April 24 and Sept. 25, in government quarters in the Allen Heights housing area while the two

victims' husbands were at work, according to CID officials.

It is not known if these assaults were committed by the same person(s); however, any information concerning these assaults should be reported to the Ft. Rucker CID office at 255-3108, 255-5412 or 255-4435. This reward expires Feb. 19, 1989.

cumbent Sid Averett, while Linda Kierke entered the County Commission battle in District 3 and will challenge Pearl Davis in a battle of political newcomers. The only other candidate to qualify for office was Jean McDaniel, who will run for a post on the Coffee County Board of Education.

The activity on the Democratic side was light, but drew attention as former commissioner Bennie C. Beckham qualified to seek the District 7 seat on the Coffee County Commission. Beckham will oppose incumbent Bill Faulk, who recently switched to the Republican Party.

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County Republicans to

meet April 7 at 7:00

The Coffee County Republican Party will meet on Thursday night, April 7, at 7:00 p.m. at the Coffee County Farm Center, in New Brockton.

All county residents are invited to attend the meeting.

County Cancer Society

names chairman

Mr. Darryl Anderson, Enterprise, has been selected Coffee County's 1988 crusade chairman for the American Cancer Society.

According to Anderson a goal of \$35,000 has been set for the county to raise in the war against the disease. Money raised will be used in the Society's programs of research, education and patient services.

The annual door-to-door campaign has been scheduled for April 23 - May 1. Local residents will be delivering life-saving information on breast cancer and mammography as well as asking for a contribution.

Mr. Mickey Murdock is chairman for Elba; Mrs. Sue Cobb, Enterprise, and Mr. Wink Rogers, New Brockton.

Anyone interested in helping should contact one of these chairmen.

Special events are being planned and more information will be made available as details are finalized.

Band Boosters to meet

Monday night in Elba

Mrs. Myrna Rhoades, president of Elba High School Band Boosters, has set a meeting for Monday, April 11 at 7 p.m. at the Elba band room.

All band parents are urged to attend.

on July 4. Jackson entered a plea of not guilty and not guilty by reason of insanity to the charges.

In the motion filed last week, Jackson's attorneys stated that while the state will attempt to introduce into evidence at the defendant's trial that include oral admission of the alleged crime, the statements were the result of "persistent and repeated

interrogations" by numerous law enforcement agents and were conducted in the absence of counsel.

The attorneys also contend that fatigue and "psychological ploys" combined during many hours of questioning rendered any admission as "involuntary" and violated the fifth and fourteenth amendments to the United States Constitution.

Circus is coming to town next week

Allen Bros. Circus will be in Elba on Thursday, April 14, under the sponsorship of the Elba Jaycees. The circus big top will be set up at the Elba High School grounds and performances will be given at 4:30 and 7:00 p.m.

Allen Bros. Circus has it all - jugglers, clowns, acrobats, aerialists, elephants and much, much more. It is a family show - with entertainment rated "G."

Tickets may be purchased from members of the Elba Jaycees at reduced prices.



ENTERTAINERS PREPARING FOR CONCERT - Rachel Cowart and Mary Harrelson, both from Elba, practice their dance moves for the upcoming ESJC Entertainers' spring concert. The program will be presented Saturday, April 23, in the Enterprise High School auditorium.

APRIL

BRAINSTORMS

By Ferrin Cox

We were talking to several young people during a recent weekend. You know those who have grown up and gone forth to try their wings. Well it seems one was telling on another and it embarrassed the young lady being tattled on by her relatives. According to her peers, she cleans house by using a cover that is a little larger than the mess she has just made. She politely places the cover over the mess and smiles at everyone as if her house was perfectly clean! Now we can't personally testify to this, but it was told as the truth by a brother-in-law and she didn't deny the charge, just acted a bit upset that it had been told. Shame, shame.

We made a picture several days ago of another group of local citizens forming a neighborhood watch. We like this idea of reporting crimes while they are in progress. There ain't a much better way to catch a criminal than to arrest him while he is committing the crime. We suggest that all of our readers interested in doing some breaking in of houses look first to see if the neighbors are being good neighbors and protecting things by getting the law on your case.

The presidential race is still tumbling around. The Republicans are publicly conceding that George Bush will be their nominee, even though the convention is months away. The Democratic nomination is a different matter: all together. There is still no clear leader and either of several candidates could end up with the nomination. We remember the excitement we experienced as a child listening to the radio as Robert Trout and others reported the vote as each state chairman stood and cast the vote of his fellow delegates. We even kept a running tally of the totals each candidate collected during the roll call votes. More than once we got into trouble with Mother when she discovered we still were listening to political conventions in the wee hours of the morning. Now the experts keep our running totals on their computers and even add in the ones they know are already committed, and it is just as much fun. Maybe this year the Democrats will keep things a little more interesting as they jockey for position, either as a candidate or as the power broker behind the candidate.

Monday evening we slipped off for a couple hours of dream fishing. Well true to form, they were not biting. Even though my sons gave me detailed directions on just where to go, how deep to fish and even gave me the same poles they had been fishing with successfully . . . nothing. Well then Tuesday I was bemoaning this fact to some so-called friends when one (who is a good dream fisherman) asked if we had tried a sack. Interested in learning anything new that will help me catch fish, we jumped on that one. Without a smile he explained we should cut two holes on one side, slip it over our head and maybe the fish would not be so frightened. Well that got better not run for public office and need my one vote to get elected . . . not for a week or so anyway.

We had another birthday this week. It was one of those with the BIG "0" in it and we are getting our share of ribbing for this. That doesn't bother us one bit, except to realize how wrong we were as a youngster to think that folks this age were old folks. There is an alternate to having birthdays, and we ain't ready for the cemetery yet.

The area post offices have had a run on stamps this week. We have heard of some who have completely run out of the 16 variety stamps. In their defense however they are working out things, even if it means swapping out your old 22cents for the one that cost a quarter. We tried to make ours come out even but that never works out so our letters will look a little messier for a while. While we are confessing to having birthdays, we might as well tell it some more by remembering that this 34th birthday was as much as we spent for a first class stamp back when those birthdays were celebrated with a party planned by Mother.

Boy when they decided to tear down the building across the street . . . Auto Stop . . . it came down in a hurry. We were looking around out front after 3 p.m. Monday and we could still walk into the building. We came back at 5 and the thing was on the ground! The contractor is ready to start construction of the new convenience store on the site and this means the old one has gotten to go and go it has done.

Arizona Governor Meacham is out of office and before his term expired. That man could get himself in more trouble with his mouth than even I can! When his mouth got folks mad they began to find other things he was doing wrong and before the dust settled, he had been charged with doing wrongdoing to cause the legislative body to throw him out of office. Now before we start feeling sorry for this innocent car salesman, keep in mind that he was accused of "loaning" some big money of the government's fund to his personal car dealership . . . which ain't what it was set up to be used for at all. The list can go on and on. We don't know exactly how many of the charges they proved, but apparently it was enough.

We don't have to go to Arizona to find trouble however. Right up there in Troy, in our adjoining Pike County, they have charged a county commissioner with something like using his office for personal gain. Headlines in one of the Troy newspapers indicates someone is fussing at the entire commission and the Probate Judge over the way things are handled. Well all we can say when they get through here, we would like to point out some other areas closer home that need cleaning up also.

If you want to get into Coffee County politics this year, you have until 5 p.m. Friday to get up the qualifying fees. We have had several qualify this week, and are hearing rumors at press time that others are coming. District 3, which includes most of Elba, has four candidates at press time and there are rumors of at least one more getting into the battle.

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Douglas Edwards To Speak At Troy State On May 11

Douglas Edwards, the renowned CBS broadcast journalist who retired April 1 after 46 years with the network, will speak to the spring quarter convocation of Troy State University's Sorrell College of Business at 10 a.m. on May 11 in the Adams Center on TSU's main campus.

Edwards began his career in Troy in 1943 when he was hired by CBS as a radio announcer. He worked at the station until 1948 when he moved to the radio station located in the fire station of what was then Troy's City Hall and still has many friends in the Pike County area.

In 1948 he became the first CBS television news anchor on a national scale and his "Good evening eve-

ELBA HOSPITAL REPORT

Persons admitted to the Elba General Hospital for the period of March 29 through April 4 include the following:

William A. Adcock, Marvin K. Parrish, Ralph B. Lowery, Derrian Brown, Harlin J. Gray, Mary Frances Conner, Jerry L. Bolding, Dennis E. Manning, George C. Newson, Alton Rushing, Clifford Wade Whitehead, James L. Phillips, Garland Bradshaw.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department reported an active week with a total of 4 arrests (three 3rd degree-2, disorderly conduct and failure to appear) and 8 traffic citations (running a stop sign, speeding-2, driving under the influence-3 and no drivers license-2) logged.

Following are daily activity reports:

TUESDAY, MARCH 29
Activity included a possible intoxicated driver in a green Ford (4:08 p.m.), a fire on County Road 42 (7:42 p.m.) and a complaint that a caller heard a female in the background say that a man had a gun (8:32 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30
Routine activity reported.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31
Routine activity reported.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1
Activity included a possible intoxicated driver on 84 East (1:38 p.m.), a possible drunk in public on 84 West (2:26 p.m.), a report of a dog bite victim at the Emergency Room (5:35 p.m.) and a theft in progress at Mullins Apartments (7:17 p.m.).

SATURDAY, APRIL 2
Activity included a fight in the street on Stoudermeir and Lee (2:48 a.m.), a wreck at Taylor Pate (10:34 a.m.) and a wreck on 87 North (12:09 p.m.).

SUNDAY, APRIL 3
Activity included a disturbance at the Big/Little (3:34 a.m.), a disturbance at Blues Cafe (6:17 p.m.) and a wreck at the Flats Road (11:26 p.m.).

Bulletin Board

S & B - City Hall, 3rd Tues 9:30-12:30. Call FREE 1-800-222-2224.
BOY SCOUTS - Mon 7 p.m. - Over old City Hall.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues 7 p.m. - City Hall.
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Tues 7 p.m. - City Hall.
MASONIC LODGE 176 - 1st Sat & 3rd Mon - 7 p.m. - St. Clements Bldg.
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon - 7 p.m. - Over old City Hall.
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Tues, Thurs 8:30-4:30. 897-2824.
NEW ALANON - Wed 8 p.m. - St. Clements Bldg.
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS - 5, 6 - Sundays, St. Clements Bldg.
COFFEE COUNTY COUNCIL - HUNTERS ASSN - 3rd Sat - 10 a.m. - Club House.
WEIGHT WATCHERS - Mondays - 6:45 p.m. - Elba HS.
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OBITUARIES

MRS. OLLIE ZIEGLER CLOWER

Mrs. Ollie (Ziegler) Clower, age 77, of Jack, Ala., died Tuesday, March 29, 1988 in a Dothan hospital.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m., Friday, April 1, 1988 from the Chestnut Grove Methodist Church, with Rev. Ray Sinson officiating. Burial followed in the Church cemetery with Jackson-Bryan Funeral Home directing.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Verline Pickett, of Pensacola, FL., and Mrs. Merlene Stewart of Jack, AL.; two sisters, Mrs. Willie Sinson of Jack, AL., and Mrs. Edith Howard of Pensacola, FL.; five brothers, Foster Ziegler of Ozark, AL., Grady Ziegler of Jack, AL., Shelly Ziegler of Jack, AL., Flowers Ziegler of Pensacola, FL., and Floyd Ziegler of Jack, AL.; three grandchildren, and four great grandchildren.

CATHLEEN SHORTER KNIGHT

Mrs. Cathleen Shorter Knight, age 85, of Fowlstown, Ga., died March 24, 1988, in Bainbridge, Ga. Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 2, at 2 p.m. from Smith-Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Amsterdam, Ga., with Rev. Levi Kelly officiating. Burial followed in the Church cemetery, Climax, Ga., with Berlin Funeral Home, Bainbridge, Ga., directing.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Mable Emmons, Atlanta, Ga.; four sons: William Knight and Richard Knight Jr., both of Atlanta, Ga.; Gilbert Knight, Quincy, Fla. and Laro Knight, Pittsburgh, Pa.; stepchildren, Mrs. Julia M. Knight, Quincy, Fla.; Mrs. Magann Dudley, Marianna, Fla.; and L.C. Knight, Newark, N.J.; three daughters-in-law: Mrs. Hester Knight, Mrs. Lotie Knight and Mrs. Elise Knight; one sister: Mrs. Mary Gibson, Enterprise; three sisters-in-law: Mrs. Ida Mae Henry, Mrs. Annie B.

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NEWS FROM OUR EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO

APRIL 13, 1978
**County commission says "No more free pipe!"
**Abley Young is pictured holding two bass he caught on a blue lipitai while fishing in a private pond. The fish weighed 6 lbs. each.
**Miss Gayle Day and Gary Johnson were united in marriage March 1 in Beulah Baptist Church. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Grace Day of Opp and Ralph Day of Kinston. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry A. (Pete) Johnson of Opp.
**Anna Maria Williams was honored with a birthday party on April 7. Those helping her celebrate were: Dawn Jordan, Paul and Dawn Andrews, Chuck and Brook Daughtry, Sherry Parker, and Tracy Phelps, all of Elba.
**Black and Gold Review: Miss Donna McCormick of New Brockton was guest at the FHA program Thursday. She discussed design, textures, feminine looks, returning, shoes, scarves, etc. Miss McCormick is a graduate of the University of Alabama, with a degree in fashion design.
**Mrs. C.G. Britt, former resident of the Curtis Community, was honored with a tea given by her children on April 2, to celebrate her 90th birthday. She is a member of the Liberty Methodist Church.

APRIL 11, 1968
**The newly organized Magnolia Garden Club met April 4 in the home of Mrs. Mae Cook with Mrs. J.M. Pierce as co-hostess. Officers named are Mrs. Douglas Easters, Mrs. Charles Parkhouse, Mrs. Charles Jacobs, Mrs. Olen Bailey, Mrs. Wilma Martin, and Mrs. Robert Marsh.
**Mr. and Mrs. Lonnell L. Hataway of Kinston celebrated their silver wedding anniversary with open house on March 31.
**Carla Tate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Tate, celebrated her 10th birthday with a party Saturday afternoon at her home on Smith Ave. Enjoying the occasion with her were Ken Owens, Joan Bailey, Judy Bradshaw, Joseph Moore, George Dorsey, Kala Hudson, Delcia Smith, John Stephens, Hildreth Cooper, Sharon Gibbs, Chris Kelly, Gregg Hudson, Mike Driggers, Jennifer Hudson, Joe Smith, James Grubbs, and Jessica Hudson.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
APRIL 10, 1958
**After opening of the J. Marion Folsom Bridge Sunday, Gov. Folsom and his brothers and sisters drove to the old home place a few miles away. Pictured are Fred Folsom, Mrs. Thelma Clark, Robert Folsom, Mrs. Ruby Folsom, Ellis, Gov. Folsom and Cecil Folsom.
**Army Spec. 3rd Class Thomas H. Allday, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman F. Allday, Elba, is scheduled to participate in "Exercise Eagle Wing" at Ft. Campbell. He attended Elba High School before entering the Army in July, 1954. His wife Shirley lives in Oak Grove, Ky.
**The marriage of Miss Judith Pinkard



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Davis Seeks Commission Post From District 3 As Republican Candidate

"It's time for a change," says Pearl Davis, a resident of the Ino Community, in announcing her intentions to seek the office of county commissioner for District 3.

Davis is seeking the Republican nomination in the upcoming June primary election. She is currently employed at Robert Stephens and Malcolm Davis, also a Democrat.

Davis is basing her campaign on a concern to see improvements made in her district. "I want the people to feel that their commission is working for them," she explains. "An open channel of communication with the people of District 3 is of foremost importance, and I'll do my best to satisfy their inquiries."

One item Davis promises will get attention is the county road situation. "No one I've talked with is satisfied with the present condition of our roads. I'm not sure of the current status of road work plans, but I promise to investigate the matter and let the people know where they stand."

Raised in Coffee County, Davis and her husband Wayne have three children. She is an active member of Ino Baptist Church and the Enterprise Citizens Club. She has been employed at the Citizens Bank in Enterprise for 22 years and is currently Loan Operations Officer.

"This will be something new for me," admits Davis, "but I think it's time for a change, and I am without to learn and then apply what I learn to help Coffee County. Hopefully, I can be a part of a positive change for all county residents."

Hudson Promoted To Petty Officer 1st Class

Keith Hudson of Elba has recently been promoted to Petty Officer First Class on board the USS Enterprise.

In his commendation letter, H.W. Hartsell, Keith's commander, said in part, "We are extremely fortunate to have dedicated professionals such as your son, and we realize your part in his achievement. With the continued support and encouragement a family provides, we would not enjoy the level of success which we currently maintain."

The USS Enterprise (CVN 65) provides the nation with the highest level of combat readiness available. Comprised of a team of over 5,000 personnel, teamwork, dedication and professionalism are absolutely vital.

Keith is a 1979 graduate of Elba High School, and has received the Good Conduct medal.



Nancy Brunson To Speak In Texas

Enterprise State Junior College biology instructor Nancy Brunson will travel to Austin, Texas in May to make a presentation at the National Council for Staff Organization and Development's 1988 International Conference on Teaching Excellence. She will present the topic "Professional Development with Limited Funding."

The Council is an organization linking junior colleges throughout the United States and Canada. It operates through the University of Texas under the guidance of Dr. Anne Rouche, director, and Dr. John Rouche.

"When I attended two years ago," recalls Brunson, "there were 800-1000 educators present for the three-day conference. During the meeting we have the opportunity to hear many presentations made by faculty and administrators. The topics deal with teaching, methods, and in essence, how to make two-year colleges better institutions."

For the past five years Brunson has served as the coordinator for ESJC's Title III Professional Development Program. "During this time," she says, "we have been able to develop programs to benefit our faculty using a limited budget. That's what I'll share at the conference-how to have a good professional development program with limited funds."

The Title III program is responsible for in-service programs for faculty, travel, internships to aid in developing new programs of study and other local professional development activities. "Basically," explains Brunson, "the programs we arrange provide continuing education for ESJC faculty."

Brunson has been with ESJC since its beginning in 1965 and has 27 years of teaching experience. She and her husband, Coffee County Probate Judge Marion Brunson, reside in Elba. The couple have two sons.

ELECT

F. DOUGLAS HARRELSON

COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICT 1

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Calico Fort To Be Held April 9-10 In Ft. Deposit

The seventeenth annual Calico Fort Arts and Crafts Fair, on April 9th and 10th, located in the pines of Fort Deposit, will offer something of interest and fun to people of all ages.

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Floralia To Host Arts & Crafts Show May 25

In conjunction with the Floralia 118th Masonic Celebration the Floralia Band Boosters will sponsor an Arts and Crafts Show on beautiful Lake Jackson, Saturday, June 25, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The booths will be \$20.00 each. Deadline for reserving a booth will be June 20.

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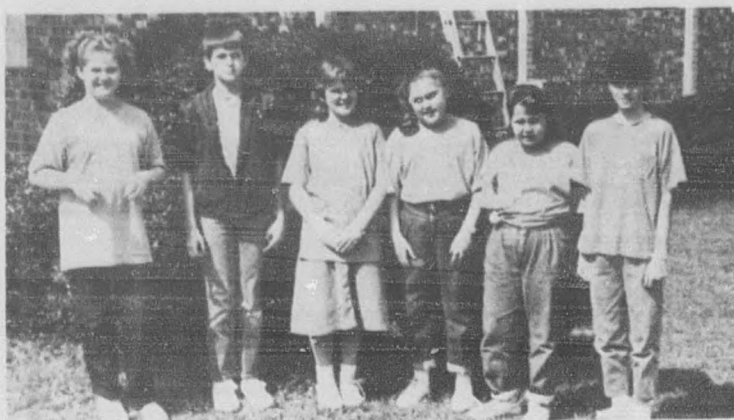
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ZC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS Michelle Jones, Beverly Flowers, Amber Wildon, Angie Eddins, Joey Herbert, Joey Arnold and Samella Green recently placed third in the fifth annual "Odyssey of the Mind" competition held in Dothan. (Not pictured Joey Arnold, who was absent.)

Band Boosters Present "Ocean Opry"

"Ocean Opry" and the Wayne Rader family will perform Saturday night, April 9, at 7 o'clock at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton. The performance is a fund-raiser event for the Zion Chapel Band Boosters.

Admission at the gate is \$8. Advance tickets are \$6 and can be purchased at Wise's Store For Men and Boys and Whitman's Drugs in Elba; Starship Records in Enterprise and Harry Baker the Jeweler in Troy. Tickets can also be purchased from any band booster or band student or by calling 897-6505 or 566-9749. Concessions will be available.

SCHOOL MENUS

COFFEE COUNTY SCHOOLS
APRIL 11 - 15
BREAKFAST
Monday - Cheese Grits, Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Sausage, Juice, Biscuit, Jelly, Milk
Wednesday - Honey Bun, Juice, Milk
Thursday - Waffles, Syrup, Juice, Milk
Friday - Toast, Peaches, Milk
LUNCH
Monday - Sloppy Joes, Tater Tots, Baked Beans, Fruit Cup, Milk
Tuesday - Chicken Wiggle, Pear Salad, Peanut Butter Ritz, Ice Cream, Rolls, Milk
Wednesday - Corn Dogs, Cheese Slice, French Fries, Apple Turnovers, Milk
Thursday - Creamed Turkey with Gravy, Rice, English Peas, Fruit, Milk
Friday - Taco Salad (Lettuce, Cheese and Tomato), Corn-on-Cob, Oatmeal Cookie, Milk
ALA CARTE
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REBEL BRIEFS

MARCH: KITE FLYING MONTH

March is generally designated as the "kite flying month." March's windy weather conditions make it ideal for amateur kite-flying and kite-flying tournaments. March brings in spring and ends winter. Spring in the northern half of the world begins with the Vernal Equinox which occurs on March 20 and 21. On this day the center of the sun is directly over the equator. March can be both wintry and springlike. Blistering, windy days occur as frequently as mild, sunny days," says World Book Encyclopedia.

A kite is an object that is flown in the air at the end of a line. The name comes from a graceful, soaring bird called a kite. Most kites consist of material such as paper or cloth mounted on a frame made of sticks, to which a line is attached. However, many kite builders use lighter, more durable synthetic coverings, such as plastic or nylon. They also use fiberglass or aluminum instead of wood for the frame, and nylon or polyester instead of cotton for the line. Kites can be made in hundreds of sizes, shapes and colors.

There are hundreds of different types of kites. The most basic types include flat, bowed, box, delta and flexible.

Kites are found at almost all stores and are fairly inexpensive. For hours of fun, try kite-flying for a little recreation.

MR. WHITEHURST BAGS A BIG ONE

By: Todd Rugg

Nelson Whitehurst, principal of Zion Chapel High School, used a tape on turkey calls to fine-tune his hunting skills. His reward was the 15-16 lb. turkey he bagged the first day of turkey season. Since then he has called two turkeys within 20 feet of him but missed both of them.

Mr. Whitehurst said the tape, mentioned in a previous issue of the Rebel News, helped him out a lot.

He started hunting about five years ago. He got into turkey hunting because it was the only thing to hunt during those particular months. He also said it was easier to see and hear a turkey than deer. Mr. Whitehurst usually goes turkey hunting one morning during the week and once on the weekend. He goes up about 4:30 so he can be in place before the turkeys start to gobble, around 5:30.

When asked about his hunting secrets Mr. Whitehurst said that he found a box call to be the best. However, he does have a wing-bone call that he made from a chicken bone. As for his other secrets, he would not comment. He did tell the Rebel News that he thought a turkey he killed himself tasted better than a domestic turkey.

PRACTICING TO MAKE THE LAND JUDGING TEAM

By: Chris Mouttry

The Agribusiness class has been preparing for the FFA Land Judging contest to be held April 12. The Agribusiness teacher, Mr. Harold Stridgen, is also the FFA sponsor. He has been using the land-judging practices to get the four highest scorers from all the FFA members to determine who will make the team.

The students have been walking around the school grounds testing the land for a grade and to see what the contest will be like. Students in FFA are eligible to try out for the land-judging team.

FBLA AND ANNUAL STAFF SALES BEGIN

By: Gina Huckabee

Sales have begun recently as a fund-raiser for the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and the Rebel 88 yearbook staff. Items consist of novelty items such as pocket calendars, coffee mugs, stuffed animals and stationery. Funds raised by the sales will be used to pay for activities and supplies needed by the two clubs. All annual staff members and editors will sell during the fund-raiser and FBLA members and officers will also participate.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

By: Robbie Davis

Zion Chapel's livestock team took first place at the livestock judging contest held at Triple Top Hereford Beef Cattle Breeders near Dothan. The contest was sponsored by the Wiregrass Electric Co-op, which helps sponsor the contest almost every year. The contest is judged on market beef, market hogs or swine, breeding beef and breeding swine.

Representatives for Zion Chapel were Chris Dewberry, Michael Stewart, Junior Lee, Wesley Messer and Eddie Stevens. Chris Dewberry scored the highest grade of 223, with Wesley Messer scoring the next highest of 231.

Zion Chapel took first place with a total score of 690. Second place went to Elba with a total score of 623. Scoring a total score of 590, Enterprise got third place. Kinross's total score was 580.

Zion Chapel will compete in the Southeast Alabama district contest to be held in Troy on April 30.

BAND STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SOLO AND ENSEMBLE

By: Lavonia Johnson

A few of the Zion Chapel High School Band students, along with some of the sixth-grade band students, went to Enterprise to perform for Solo and Ensemble. The students left around 7:30 a.m. and arrived in Enterprise around 8 a.m.

The students could perform as many times as they liked in the dust but only once as a solo. Once they finished performing and received their scores, they left and went to eat at the steak house and at McDonald's, and arrived back at ZC around 1:30 p.m.

FHA MEMBERS ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

By: Jackie Parrish

Mrs. Marsha Oggs, Future Homemakers of America (FHA) sponsor, Dana Dean, Rhonda Jackson, Stacey Black and Jennifer Flowers attended the two-day FHA Convention recently held in Montgomery at the Montgomery Civic Center.

After the first day of meetings, members were treated to a rock concert by the group, "The Edge." During the second day members voted for new state officers. They were then divided into small groups so they could attend as many of the seminars as possible.

"The meetings were fun and informative," said sponsor Marsha Oggs. She also said, "Each year the FHA Convention gives the students great insight into the purposes of FHA. It allows students to meet students from other schools." Mrs. Oggs said the convention gives the teachers a chance to exchange ideas also.

Zion Chapel Boys 4-H Meets

We started off the meeting with the president calling out our song

leaders, Joe and Jonathan, but Jonathan was absent so he picked me. We sang page 9, Rocky Top. Then our president called out our devotional leader. He read to us about crime and stealing. After that we said our pledges, led by Timmy Smith.

After that the secretary called roll, we had 26 on roll. Then Mrs. Brookshire gave us our posters back and gave us some ribbons. After that she handed out some green worksheet record books. County Public Speaking, Plant and Soil Science activity, and Coffee County 4-H Chicken-Que. Then the president called Wallen and Brad to give their progress reports on their projects.

Then the president called Timmy Smith and the vice president and he said that our projects on tin can camping. Then the president adjourned till the next time.

STEVE HODGE
Zion Chapel Boys 4-H
4th Grade



FBLA Madrigals: Jane Davis, Lavonia Johnson, Oma Lee Bundy, Rhonda Pridgen, Wayne Davis and Lee Kelley.

FBLA Attends District Five Competition Recently

By: Jane Davis

The Zion Chapel FBLA officers and several members attended the 1988 FBLA District IV Convention at Phenix City Area Vocational Center Saturday, March 26.

The group arrived around 6:30 a.m. (7:30 their time) and met in assembly for opening ceremonies. Members were then called to their competitions.

Zion Chapel's Jackie Parrish competed in the Business English while Gayle Pyfrom and Helen Baker competed in the Keyboarding Applications I and Advanced. Helen, a ZC student, competed for the Coffee County Area Vocational School.

After the last competition the Zion Chapel FBLA Madrigals performed as entertainment for the assembly while the judges were tallying up the scores from the previous competitions.

The Madrigals - Lavonia Johnson, Oma Lee Bundy, Jane Davis, Rhonda Pridgen, Lee Kelley and Wayne Davis - performed a selection of songs that included "Stand By Me," a fine example of 60's rock, and a memorable standard that was made a hit by Ben King, "Blue Skies" - a song in the jazz idiom with a swing feel, "Age of Change" - a medley of 60's protest music including the classics "Blowing in the Wind," "For What It's Worth," and "Save the Country." "I Just Can't Stop Loving You," - a pop rock hit of romance made popular by the 80's most successful pop rock and roll star Michael Jackson, "Latin On Stage" - a medley of number one hits including "All the Gold in California," "Love is Just a Game," and "Broken Lady" and "We the People," a patriotic selection written by Roger Emerson to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the United States Constitution. It

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ELBA JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS - The Elba Junior High cheerleading squad for the 1988-89 school year was recently chosen and the new members are pictured above. The cheerleaders include (Front row, L-R): Misty Miller, Leah Crowe, Tamara Rowe, Mandy Shirley; (Kneeling): Heather Stinson, Holly Stinson; (Standing): Molly Mills, Tasha Nunn, Indya Lawless.

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

ELBA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

APRIL 11 - 14
BREAKFAST
Monday - Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Toast, Bacon, Jelly, Milk
Thursday - Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Cheese Toast, Juice, Milk

LUNCH
Monday - Spaghetti, English Peas, Banana Pudding, Roll
Tuesday - Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich, French Fries, Apple, Milk
Wednesday - Vegetable Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Fruit, Crackers, Milk
Thursday - Fish, French Fries, Cake, Fruit, Bread, Milk
Friday - Corn Dog, Catsup, Blackeyed Peas, Fruit, Marshmallow Cracker, Milk

ELBA MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

APRIL 11 - 15
BREAKFAST
Monday - Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Toast, Bacon, Jelly, Milk
Thursday - Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Cheese Toast, Juice, Milk

LUNCH
Monday - Steak Fingers, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Strawberry Cake, Milk
Tuesday - Vegetable Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Cake, Fruit Cup, Milk
Wednesday - Barbecue on Bun, French Fries, Butterbeans, Applesauce, Milk
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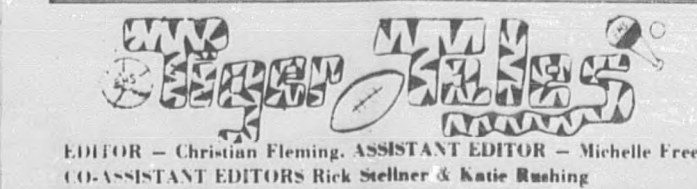
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Elba Students Receive Awards At ESJC Math Contest

Elba High School was well represented at the Eighth Annual Math Contest held at Enterprise State Junior College, Friday, March 25. Mrs. Sue King, sponsor, accompanied eighteen Elba High School students to Enterprise. Each student was given a written examination consisting of forty problems to be solved in one hour.

The following students attended the contest:

Algebra I: Tonya Bryan, Susan Johnson, Page Jones, Rob King, Pernell Smith, and Tommy Young.

Geometry: Markell Adkison, Rusty Bedsole, John Jacobs, Stacey Knight, Melissa Prichard, and Derrek Stevens.

Algebra II: Calista Fleming, Catherine King, Dax Leandro, Kevin Matthews, Matthew Morrow, and Chad Tindol.

Stacey Knight received an honorable mention award in geometry. Catherine King and Chad Tindol received honorable mention awards in Algebra II. These three students were given ribbons. Each student attending the math contest received a certificate of recognition for being selected as a participant.



Tryouts for the Elba varsity cheerleaders were held March 24, and the eight lucky girls who made it are as follows: (L-R): Susan Johnson, Jeannie Clark, Jennifer Taylor, Mandy Ham, Michelle Thigpen, Anna Smith, Charla Pearce and Amy Osborne. This enthusiastic group of girls will be attending camp on June 8, 9 and 10 at Enterprise State Junior College, and they are looking forward to supporting the team in the coming season. This year's captains are Mandy Ham and Michelle Thigpen.

FFA Chapter Views Film

The Elba FFA Chapter, under the direction of Advisor Michael Harrison, recently viewed a film on improving community relations through BOAC (Building Our American Communities) Projects.

The film was sponsored by R. J. Reynolds, Nabisco Co. and was entitled "Changes, Choices, Challenge."

The FFA members obtained several ideas on BOAC Projects which will be incorporated into the Elba FFA Chapter's Program for the 1988-89 school year.

Barry Bryan
Reporter



Mrs. Jeanne Vignola

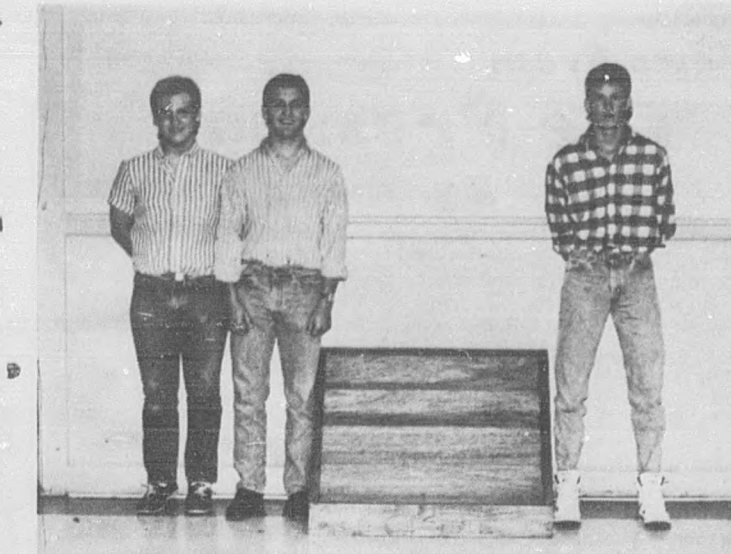
Teacher Of The Week

Mrs. Jeanne Vignola is a first-year teacher at EHS. She graduated last May from Troy State University with teaching degrees in EC, Elementary Education and Special Education.

Mrs. Vignola teaches seventh through twelfth grade EMR students. She is also the S.A.D.D. chapter advisor.

Mrs. Vignola was born in Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. She moved to Elba in 1980 from Lake City, Fla. She is married to Ted Vignola, who is a forest manager at Plack-Haney Timber Co. They have two children - Erin, age 8, and Rory, age 6.

Her favorite pastimes are reading and spending time with her family. When asked about living and working in Elba, Mrs. Vignola said, "I love Elba; the people here are so kind and wonderful. It is a beautiful place to live and raise children. I've always wanted to work with kids - they have so much to offer - working with and teaching them is not a job, it is more like a gift, and seeing them change and grow has got to be the most rewarding experience in the world."



Pictured are Barry Bryan, Tim Sullivan and Don Bryant with a college brochure and pamphlet display, a recent project built in Vocational Agriculture class for Mike Carney, guidance counselor for Elba High School. BARRY BRYAN, Reporter.

PJC Plans High School Jazz Band Festival

Seven high school ensembles from Northwest Florida and Alabama will compete in the Third Annual Pensacola Junior College High School Jazz Band Festival April 15. The competition and its concluding concert will be held in PJC's Fine Arts Auditorium.

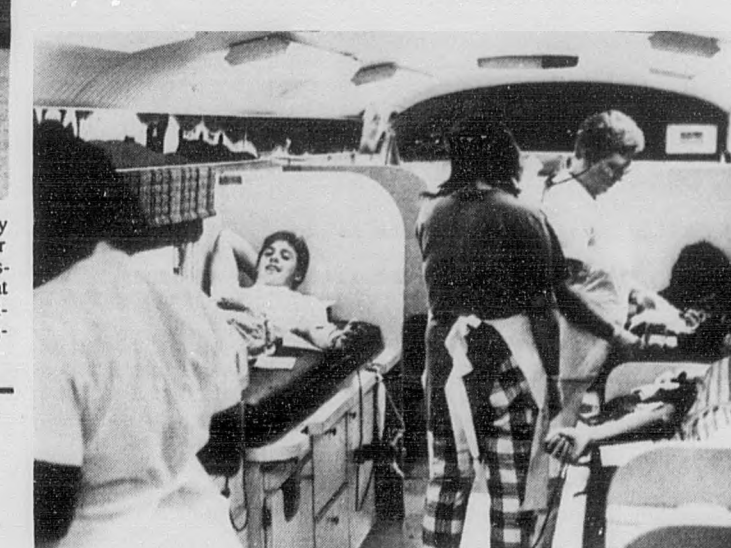
Other than Elba, jazz bands will represent Escambia, Tate, Niceville, Choctawhatchee and Ft. Walton Beach.

Each group will give a 15-minute performance, consisting of

an up-tempo swing song and one other selection of contrasting style. Following each performance, festival clinicians will provide comments and rehearse briefly with the ensemble.

Clinicians for the competition are Rich Matteson, nationally known jazz musician and educator, and Dr. Edd Jones, jazz educator.

Two PJC scholarships, sponsored by Schmidt's Music, will be awarded to the most outstanding high school jazz musicians.



EHS Vica Club Sponsors Elba Blood Drive

The Elba High School VICA Club sponsored a blood drive Wednesday, March 30, and the Red Cross collected 66 pints of blood.

The blood drive was a big success due to the large number of people

donating and the volunteer help for VICA members and Elba General Hospital.

We would like to thank everyone for participating and your donation is greatly appreciated.

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Views From The Pressbox By, Ricky Mularz

The rainy weather over the weekend didn't do much for the thousands of kids who wanted to hunt Easter eggs, but at the Mularz house we had the eggs in the rain and then watched as our little five-year-old found every one of the 38 eggs that were hidden across the yard. The eggs got a little wet and the coloring off the eggs managed to get on Melissa's new dress; however, it made no difference because it all came out in the wash and she had plenty of fun.

TIGER BASEBALLERS OFF TO FAST START

The Elba Tiger baseball team lost a heartbreaker in its season opener to cross-country rival Enterprise, but didn't let the loss keep it down for long as the Tigers rebounded to post a big win over Andalusia and then ripped area opponent Louisville to carry a 2-1 record into week #2.

In the opening loss, Elba showed the ability to put runs on the scoreboard, but also showed a possible weakness on the mound as walks spelled doom in the late innings. In the win over Andalusia the Elba pitching staff came through with a sterling performance and then against Louisville the Tiger pitchers again came through with flying colors!

Elba has a young team that has a lot of potential and if Coach Rick Rainer can keep the youngsters improving and the Tiger's young players can keep their heads when the going gets tough the Tigers may just surprise some folks come tourney time!

REBEL FOOTBALLERS SHOW IMPROVEMENT

Forget the scores of last week's jamboree at Zion Chapel! The Rebels showed marked improvement from a year ago in almost every aspect and looked like a pretty good 2A club to me!

I went to Zion Chapel's jamboree last week and didn't know what to expect because everyone told me that Goshen had buried the Rebels a year ago and had everyone back, while Zion Chapel had a young team and was trying to rebuild. Well, if the Rebels have been rebuilding, Coach Tom Moates has done a good job on the foundation because the Rebels looked good to me and there's no doubt in my mind that when the season starts next year the Rebels will be a hard team to beat.

I hate to mention players in the spring, because things often change before fall practice gets started, but the Rebels had several players who really caught my eye. In the JV game Kelly Law looked like a winner at quarterback, while Tracy Woods showed potential at running back and Jason McLeod, Daniel Henley, Steve Brill and Rodney Anderson all turned in solid performances. In the varsity contest Jamie Duncan, Shannon Morris, Jeffery Flowers, Toray Haynes, Jamie Hard and Ashley Wise all looked good; however, the star of the show was Stacey Faison! Faison ran the ball against the rock-hard Goshen defense time after time and never slowed down, while over on defense he was like a man possessed as he roamed the field looking for people to hit. Every team needs a leader and if Faison leads by example the Rebels could join the wagon next season and return to the list of big winners.

SOFTBALL IS FOR EVERYONE!!!!

The Elba Softball League gets started in a couple of weeks and if there's anyone out there wishing they could get a little exercise without spending a lot of money the softball league is just what the doctor ordered!

The league plays two games a week for about ten weeks and the cost to enter a team is only around \$200, which comes out to less than \$20 per man when you consider a team has at least 12-15 players. You don't need any special equipment, just a glove and some old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty, and two nights a week you'll get a chance to run around a little, hit a softball and most important - get some exercise.

If you think you might want to get a team just call Dennis Smith at 897-6833 and he'll tell you what you need to know. C'mon, join in on the fun!

AHSAA PASSES NEW RULINGS AT SPRING MEETING

The Alabama High School Athletic Association held its spring meeting back in March and passed a number of proposals that should help the association and its member schools.

The proposals that caught my eye among the list of 29 possible changes included the following:

***Area winners will host the first round of the football playoffs and then beginning in the second round the host team will be determined by travel. If both teams have traveled an equal amount of times a designated team will be the host and if two teams from the same area are playing the area winner will be the host; however, in other cases the travel will be the deciding factor. The change is fair!

***All schools in the same area must schedule and play each team in its area two times the regular season in basketball. In the past some teams wouldn't play area opponents if they knew they couldn't win, but now the games are required.

***All junior high players will now be allowed to move up to a higher level of competition after the completion of the junior high season. Such has been the case in football, but in basketball a rule prevented junior high players from moving up to the varsity after the junior high season ended. I have mixed feelings about the change, but on the surface it seems okay.

***In baseball both the area winner and the runner up will advance to the state tourney. The past few years both advanced in football and basketball and in both sports the runner up often claimed state titles, but in baseball only the area winner advanced, which wasn't fair. This is a good change!

***And, added a provision that would allow athletes to receive state championship rings free as recognition for their accomplishments. In the past the players bought the rings, which most parents were glad to do, but now booster clubs, businesses or schools can give the rings.

Other proposals that failed to get the votes needed for passage included abolishment of spring football practice at both the high school and junior high level (23-9); that ambulance service be mandatory at playoff games (25-7); that a season be reduced to nine games with all championship games to be played at Legion Field (27-5); a reduction in the number of areas from 16 to 12 to make scheduling easier (24-8); the sanctioning of soccer as a winter or spring sport (21-11); that transfer students not eligible for varsity play be allowed to play on the B team or junior team (25-7) and to allow teams to attend summer basketball camps (18-14).

The move to abolish spring training is brought up every year and this year the schools voting voted against the move 148-110, which is pretty close. Look for spring practice to end sooner than you think!

GOOSBY SELECTED FOR ALL STAR TEAMS

Elba's Kevin "Cap" Goosby wrapped up his junior college career recently at Grayson Junior College, in Texas, and while his team failed to earn many honors, the same couldn't be said for the former "Tiger star"!

Goosby finished the season averaging 28.3 points per game in the very tough Texas Junior College league, which was good enough to rank him 8th nationally in scoring. He was chosen to participate in the Texas All-Star Shootout, in which he scored 14 points and this Saturday will compete in the National Junior College All-Star Classic.

Kevin is being recruited by just about every college in the nation and last week reported he had narrowed his list of potential choices down to Centenary, Auburn, Texas El Paso, Alabama and Eastern Kentucky.

I hope he comes back to the state so I can watch him play, but wherever he goes I know he'll continue to represent Elba well!

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL SEASON UNDERWAY

The Major League baseball season started this week and even though I'm not as big a baseball fan as many, I do enjoy keeping up with the leagues and watch the Atlanta Braves every once and a while. I have a lot of Minnesota Twin clothing and am a Twins fan, but my picks this summer will be the Mets and Cardinals in the National League and the Tigers and Royals in the American League.

Before wrapping up...I saw a sign in a paper the other day that summed up the feelings of many Atlanta sports fans. The sign read "Go Braves, and take the Falcons, with you!"

I GO TIGERS GO!

Sports

Elba Tigers Trip To Andalusia & Louisville To Up Record To 2-1

The Elba Tigers opened their baseball season last week and posted two wins in three outings to end the week with a 2-1 record.

The Tigers dropped their season opener to Enterprise 12-11, but bounced back to defeat Andalusia 4-3 and Louisville 9-2.

Following are highlights of all three games:

ENTERPRISE 12 ELBA 11

The Elba Tigers fell behind early and could never catch up last week as the Enterprise Wildcats outscored the Tigers 12-11, in Elba.

Elba grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the first inning when Greg Hanchey reached on a walk and came around to score on an infield out, but the Wildcats rallied with 3 runs in the second inning as they combined 2 hits with a walk and an error to take the lead for good at 3-1.

Kevin Matthews scored in the bottom of the second to cut the deficit to 3-2, but Enterprise responded with 3 runs in the third to extend its lead to 6-2 and then added 6 runs in the fourth to grab a big 12-3 advantage!

The Tigers were down, but not about to quit, and rallied in the bottom of the fourth to score 7 runs and cut the Wildcat advantage to 12-10.

Kenneth King and Jason Grider drew walks to open the inning, moved up a base on a single by Greg Hanchey and then both walked home when Matt Henderson and Steve Sauls drew walks. A walk to Chris Thomas made the score 12-6 as Hanchey scored and Hanchey later added a big two-out single that knocked in 2 runs as the Tigers got back in the game!

Neither team could score in the fifth and sixth innings as both pitchers took command; however, Elba's Matt Henderson led off the seventh with a solo home-run and the Tigers were within 12-11. Elba got the potential tying run aboard with two outs, but failed to push the run across as Enterprise took the win 12-11.

Greg Hanchey and Kevin Matthews got 3 hits apiece to lead the Tigers, while Matt Henderson, Steve Sauls and Kenneth King all added 1 hit. Forehand got 2 hits for Enterprise.

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ELBA 4 ANDALUSIA 3

The Elba Tigers staged a two-out rally in the bottom of the seventh game to edge the Andalusia Bulldogs 4-3, in Elba.

Andalusia took an early 1-0 lead in the ballgame, only to see the Tigers rally in the second to pull even at 1-1 when Chris Thomas singled and came around to score on a sin-

gle by Wade Hart. The Bulldogs nosed ahead 2-1 in the third and extended their lead to 3-1 in the top of the seventh, but saw the Tigers rally to pull out the win.

The rally started with one-out when Brian Free singled and raced to third when Greg Hanchey ripped a single to left. Hanchey stole second to give the Tigers two men in scoring position, but when a batter struck out they were down to one last hope with two on and two out.

Jason Grider got two quick strikes as Tiger hopes dimmed, but Grider then lofted a "seeing eye" single that fell between three Bulldog defenders and both Free and Hanchey reached on the plate to tie the game at 3-3.

Leon Coleman pinch ran for Grider, who wound up on second on the play, and when Matt Henderson followed with a sharp single to center Coleman raced home to give the Tigers the exciting win.

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Zion Chapel Honors Athletes At Annual Banquet

By Ronny Shiver

The student-athletes involved in football, basketball and cheerleading at Zion Chapel High School were honored on Thursday night, March

31 when the Zion Chapel Quarterback Club sponsored its annual Athletic Awards Banquet.

Donnie Marler, the "Voice of the Rebels," was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening, while the large crowd was welcomed by Zion

Chapel High School principal Nelson Whitehurst. Stacey Faison presented the invocation and grace was returned by Sandy Flowers.

Following a delicious dinner that included a steak with all the trimmings, the gathering settled back

for the presentation of awards. Varsity cheerleader sponsor Mrs. Marsha Oggs recognized the members of the squad and presented each member a plaque. Cheerleaders included Rena Flowers, Donna Griss-

wald, Tracy Pearson, Angie Rodgers, Sandy Flowers, Michelle McClendon, Shann Cotton and Shea Stinson.

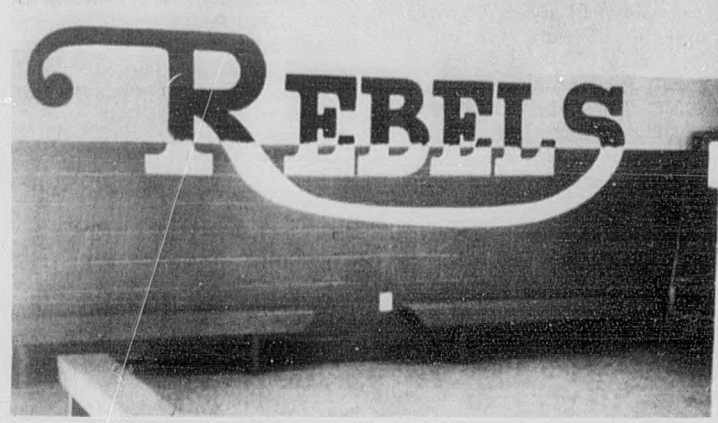
Varsity football coach Tom Moates spoke of the season and then passed out several awards. The awards included Most Valuable Player - Thomas Boswell; Mr. Clutch - Pete Bryant; Mr. Rebel - Sean Collins; Mr. Versatile - Freddie Culver; Mr. Desire - Stacey Faison; Mr. Consistent - Jamie Hurd; Mr. Hustle - Shannon Morris; Mr. Sing - Jamie Duncan and Most Improved - John Parrish. Team captains for the season were Thomas Boswell, Sean Collins and Stacey Faison.

Varsity basketball coach Tom Walker praised the efforts of the members of the Rebel basketball and presented special awards to Mr.

Hustle - Pete Bryant; Most Improved - Jeffery Flowers; Mr. Hustle - Toray Haynes; Most Valuable Player Scotty Lee; Mr. Big Man - James Liptrout; Mr. Rebound - Chris Moultry and Mr. Clutch - Calvin Newson.

B team basketball coach Tom Moates presented certificates to the members of the team and gave special awards to Most Valuable Player - Steven Cole and Mr. Defense - Freddie Culver.

Supt. Clayton presented the closing remarks and all present were reminded of the philosophy of the Zion Chapel Athletic Program "1.God, 2. Family, 3. Academics and 4. Athletics. If you take these four elements and use them as your guidelines for life, you will succeed not only in sports, but in all things."



Rebel Pride Is Showing At New Field House

Special To The Clipper By Wayne Davis

Construction was recently completed on a new Physical Education building at Zion Chapel High School and head football coach Tom Moates believes the new facility will give all student-athletes at the school "a new sense of pride in the entire athletic program."

"We have needed new facilities for a number of years and this new building was certainly worth the wait," stated Coach Moates. "Everyone who takes part in the athletic program here at Zion Chapel is proud of the building and thankful for everyone who made it possible. I think it will give the athletic program a new sense of pride and help pump new life into the entire athletic family."

The building was financed almost entirely by a PSCA fund and Supt. Clayton Bryant reported the money was earmarked for the construction of the building.

The building has two special features, the first of which is a rubberized floor in the weight room. The rubberized floor prevents damage to the floor and weights in case of an accident. The second feature is a whirlpool, which will be used to treat such injuries as muscle strains, bruises and pulled ligaments.

The building will serve several purposes at Zion Chapel, including use as a field house for the football team, a physical education building and a weight training facility. The building contains rooms for training, equipment storage, dressing, weight training and bathing, as well as a private coach's office with a private bath.

The training room includes a rehabilitation table for the use of treating injuries and a place to tape athletes prior to competition. Benches for the dressing rooms include racks for hanging helmets, shoulder pads and personal clothing. The benches and tables were built

by students at the Coffee County Area Vocational School under the supervision of Mr. Warren Pless.

The Pepsi Cola Company painted Zion Chapel's "Rebel" logo on both ends of the building and also painted emblems inside the dressing room.

Elba Tourney Set For April 22-23

The second annual WZTZ Radio-Kelley's Packing Softball Classic will be held on Friday and Saturday.

Eufaula To Host Softball Tournament April 15-16

The Eufaula Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor its 11th annual Heritage Softball Tournament on April 15-17 in Eufaula, Alabama. Tournament games will be played at Old Creek Town Park, located at Lake Eufaula. The tourney will be open to the first 32 teams to pay the \$100 entry fee and ASA rosters will be required and each team will hit their own ASA approved softball. The tourney will be classified as two divisions, with Class B teams in one division playing with a 3 home-run rule and Class C and below teams playing in a division with a 1 home-run rule. Trophies will be awarded to the Top 4 teams in each tournament as well as offensive and defensive MVP's in each division. There will be over \$1,000 worth of awards given away at the conclusion of the tournament. For more information, call 205-687-2246.

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Jesus rises from the dead (Easter); He lives. He lives indeed!

"And very early in the morning, the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulcher at the rising of the sun. And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulcher? And when they looked they saw that the stone was rolled away; for it was very great."

"And entering into the sepulcher, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment, and they were affrighted. And he said unto them, Be not affrighted; ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified; he is risen; he is not here; behold the place where they laid him."

"But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him, as he said unto you." Mark 16:27

"I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth." Job 19:25

"The Empty Tomb proves Christianity, but an empty church denies it."

Speakers: Sourcebook

"Nothing is more indecent than a dead preacher speaking to dead sinners the living truth of the living God."

Baxter

Thinking of you, praying for you:

Mrs. Lula Cole, Mrs. Nadine Daniels, Mrs. Louise Rogers, Mr. John H. Stoumenier, Mrs. Juanita Brooks, Mrs. Ella M. Shipman, Miss Carolyn S. Blake

TEARS

Who said tears were a woman's thing?

The mightiest kings have known their moments.

Even Jesus wept.

Tears are the substance of real love.

A sign that we are alive, And not afraid to show it.

Tears say, "without words, That we feel."

Anderson Kerney

The 9th anniversary of the Gospel Harmonies of Andalusia will be held April 15, 16, 17 at St. Peter Baptist Church, Rev. F. Fagin, pastor.

Motto is "Singing the Gospel." Theme is "I will praise the Name of God with song, and I will magnify Him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30

Mistress of Order is Sister Francine Cunningham.

Friday night at 7:30 welcome will be given by Sister Thelma Lawrence.

Saturday night's welcome will be given by Sister Thelma Lawrence.

Sunday 2 p.m. processional will be given by Sister Thelma Lawrence.

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I challenge you Bridgett to work to fulfill in your mind a clear picture of the person God created you to be. Don't be ashamed or afraid to be yourself. There will be problems, crises and possibly setbacks in striving to make good. But remember, this is the real world, and if you want to be happy, you can. You can do just what you want to do!

God bless you and congratulations on your achievements. Eria

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By: Wanda Sasser

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The pageant is for girls in grades K - 3rd.

Entry fee is \$10.

For more information contact Edwin Williams, 897-5134, or Nadean White or Margaret Rowe at 897-6728 after 4 p.m.

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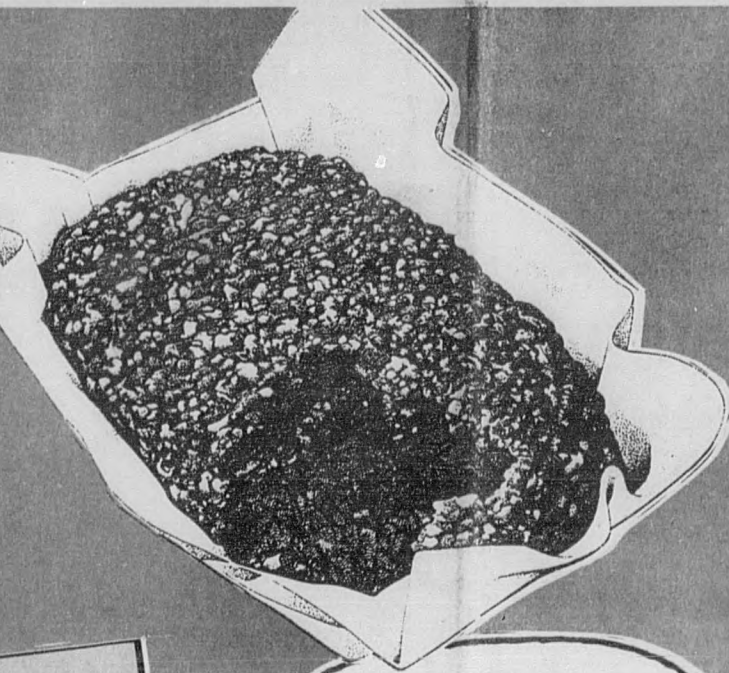
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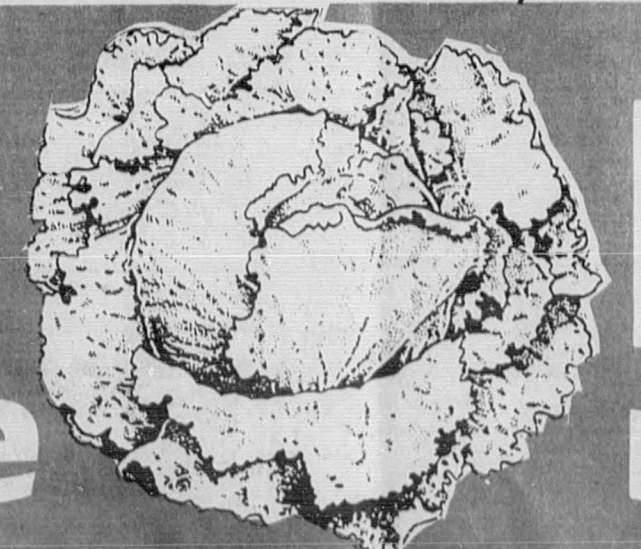
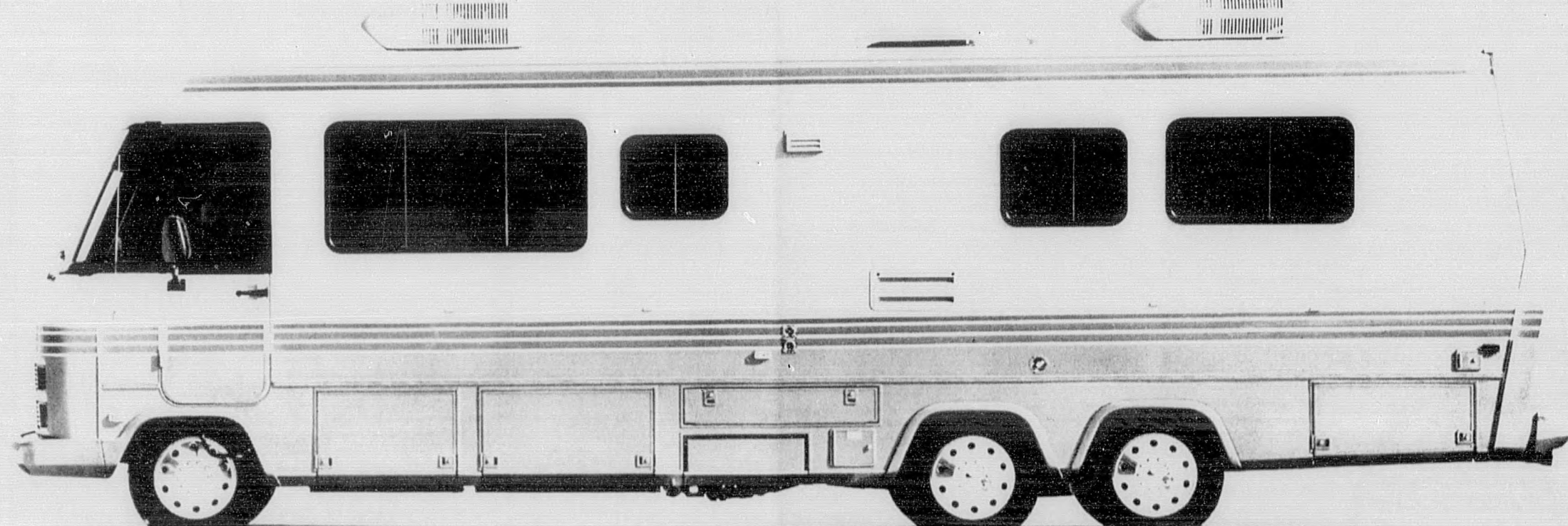
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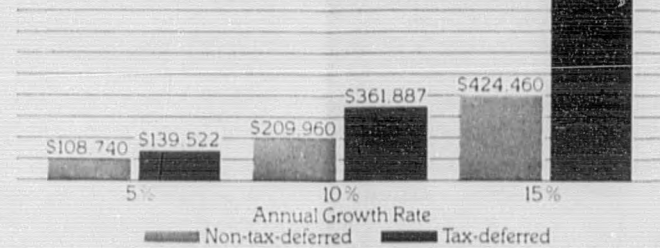
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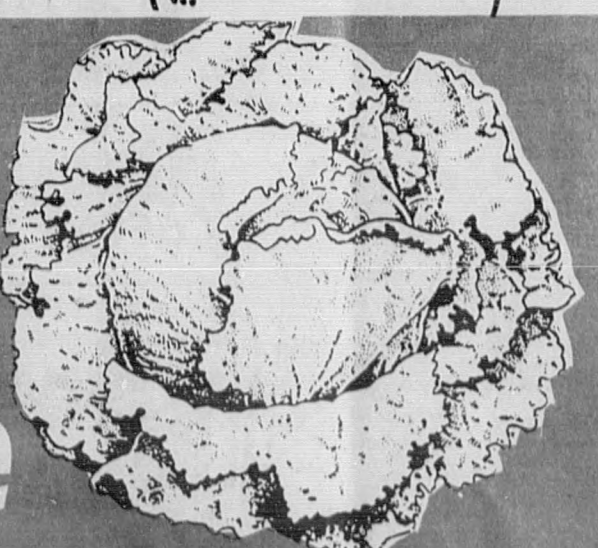
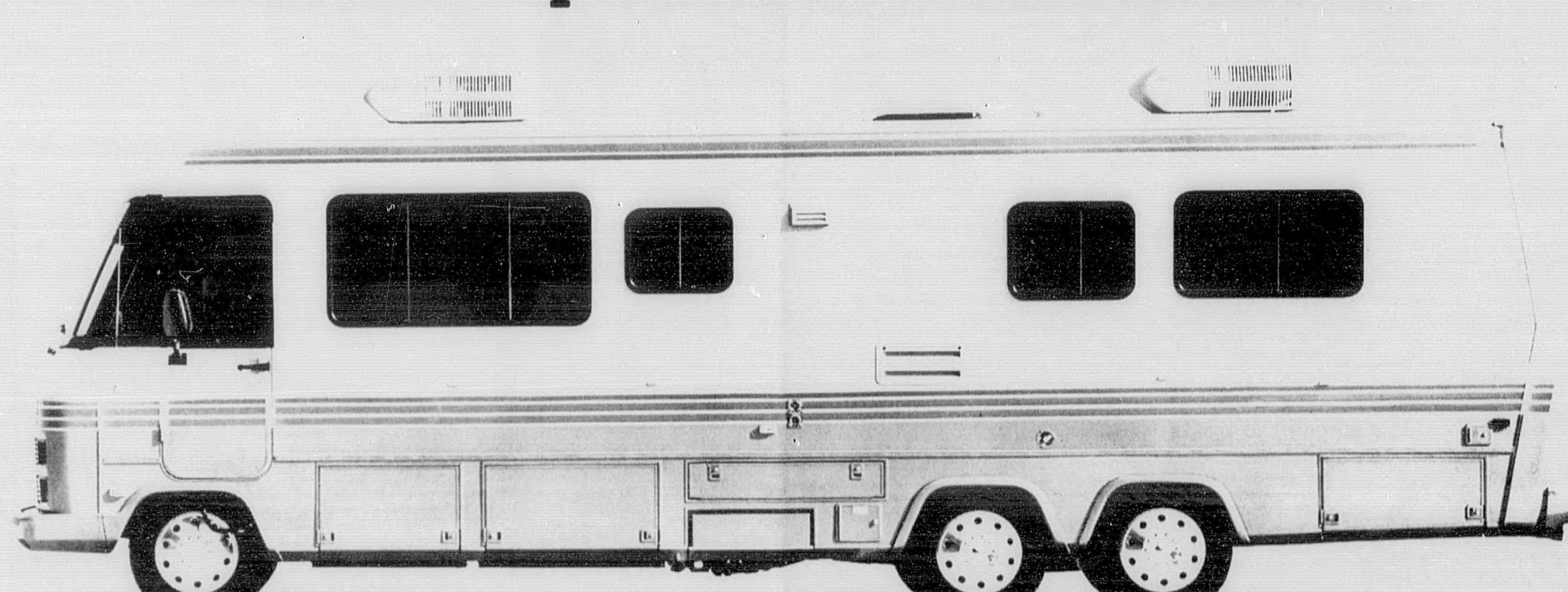
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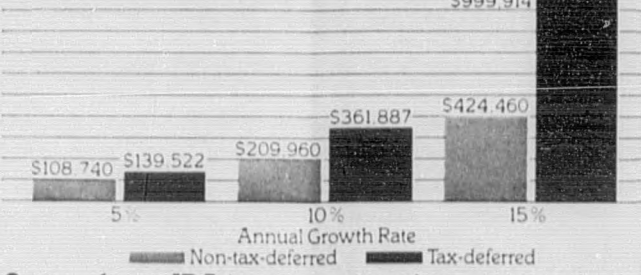
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MISS ELBA 1988 - Whitney Wise (center) was crowned Miss Elba 1988 at the annual pageant Saturday night, April 9, at the Elba High School auditorium. Also pictured above are 1st runner up Jeannie Clark (left) and 2nd runner up Melissa Johnson (right).

Whitney Wise crowned as 1988 Miss Elba

The annual Miss Elba pageant was held on Saturday night, April 9 at the Elba High School auditorium and crowned as Miss Elba 1988 was Whitney Wise, the 16 year old daughter of Mrs. Shirley Wise and the late Mr. Jimmy Wise.

Jeannie Clark, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark, was chosen as the first runner-up, while named second runner-up was Melissa Johnson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Johnson.

The new Miss Elba has dark brown hair and brown eyes and is a junior at Elba High School. She is a member of the Student Council, Spanish Club, FFA Quartet, VICA, Beta Club and a former varsity cheerleader. Her hobbies include reading, swimming and painting and her talents include singing, dancing and playing the piano.

She attends the Elba United Methodist Church and is active in church activities.

A total of seven lovely young ladies competed in the annual event and the remaining contestants included Denise Smith, Tammy Williams, Tara Rhoades and Lucinda Byrd.

Category winners in the event included Lucinda Byrd - written communications; Whitney Wise - judge's interview and impromptu response; Jeannie Clark - verbal communications and Melissa Johnson - evening gown. Chosen by the contestants as Miss Congeniality was Tammy Williams.

The new Miss Elba will represent Elba in the National Peanut Festival later this year in Dothan.

The Miss Elba pageant is sponsored by the Elba Athletic Club.

Elba man found dead in Pea River

The lifeless body of an Elba man was found late Friday afternoon, April 8, in shallow water near the banks of the Pea River and preliminary reports reveal that the man apparently blacked out while walking near the river, fell down a steep embankment and drowned.

Elba Police Chief John Ed White reported that the body of J.L. Eldridge, age 58, a resident of Wayne Street, was discovered by a couple fishing in the river and officials were immediately notified.

Elba Police officials reported that the body was reported found at 5:00 p.m. and Elba officials and Coffee County Sheriff's Department deputies were reported at the scene within twenty minutes.

Law enforcement officers discovered after arriving at the scene by boat that the area could be reached by vehicle by use of a dirt road off Highway 189 and rescue workers reached the scene by way of the dirt road.

Chief White stated that Eldridge had apparently been dead for several hours when found because rigor mortis had already begun to set in by the time officials arrived at the location.

The man was reported to be lying face down with his arms under him when discovered and his face was in approximately two inches of water.

Personal effects of the man were on his body when found, while a hat was found on the embankment, leading officials to believe that the man blacked out and fell down the area leading to the river. Medication found on the man revealed that he was a heart patient.

Chief White also stated that foul play is not suspected in the case and reported that the preliminary reports showed that the victim did drown in the shallow water.

Eldridge's grandson drowned in the river years ago and officials stated the man's body was found less than one hundred yards from where the boy's body was recovered.

County candidates set for primaries

Qualifying for the June 7 primaries ended last week and in Coffee County both the Democratic and Republican parties appear to be ready for an active election.

The Democrats have a total of

20 candidates in the county races, with 15 candidates seeking places on the county commission and 4 seeking spots on the county school board, while only one candidate qualified for the office of Probate

Judge.

On the Republican side of the scorecard, 2 candidates are seeking the post of Probate Judge, while 9 candidates are seeking commission seats and 3 candidates are battling for school board seats.

The accompanying chart shows all the candidates in the upcoming election.

Elementary teacher asks Elba

School Board for new desks

Jeweler Tom Maddox presided over the meeting of the Elba City School Board last Thursday evening. He is presently serving as chairman of the group.

All five members were present in participating in the decisions of the board.

Business began with a request for information from first grade teacher Mary Grider, who noted the board had said a year ago that plans for the elementary school included some new furniture in the classrooms. She noted that teachers and parents had seen some home-made book bags that could be made for the present desks if they weren't going to be replaced in the near future but it would be wasteful to make them and have the desks discarded in a few months.

Elba council appoints

Bob Roberson to city school board

The Elba City Council made a school board appointment, voted to file grant applications to get federal help in draining the swamp between the football field and the middle school; paid the bills and heard two citizens ask for help in removing trees from their property.

All members were present except council member Malcolm Davis.

Police Chief John White informed council members of the recent investigation into the finding of a man's body on the riverbank near the old railroad trestle.

Mayor Bob English announced the upcoming expiration of the school board term presently held by Dr. William Cowart and his desire not to be reappointed. When the floor was opened for nominations, both Council members Jack Prescott and John W. Sharpless asked for the floor. English recognized Sharpless, who nominated Bob Roberson local pharmacist, Prescott then was recognized and nominated local businesswoman Linda Mills.

When the four council members present were polled on the nominations, both Sharpless and Gladys Yelverton voted for Roberson and Prescott voted for his nominee. Council member Frances Williams abstained from voting and English declared Roberson had been tapped to serve a term on the school board beginning this summer when the current term expires.

Jack Griffith, Projects Coordinator with Southeast Alabama Regional Planning & Development Commission, appeared before the council to participate in a public hearing on the proposed application for a grant to do some drainage work.

County Commission votes 2-1 to oppose Foshee highway plan

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, April 11 at the courthouse in Enterprise and by a vote of 2-1, with 4 abstentions, passed a resolution calling for Rep. Jimmy Holey and Sen. Crum Foshee to oppose a plan to take the state highway department from the control of the governor.

Comm. Sid Averett made the motion to pass the resolution and got a second from Comm. Bill Faulk, both of whom recently switched political allegiances to the Republican Party.

Comm. Eugene Bradley stated that he couldn't support the resolution because "I've talked to the governor and his highway folks and haven't been able to get one single thing."

Faulk and Averett voted for the motion, while Bradley opposed the resolution and Egerton, Bryan, Stephens and Crittenden all abstained from voting, resulting in the motion passing with a vote of 2-1.

Comm. Jimmy Bryan stated that the commission send a letter to Rep. Holey and Sen. Foshee expressing confidence in their work at the capital and their representation of Coffee County.

Averett voiced immediate opposition to the Bryan motion and compared the motion to "throwing water on a fire" as far as his earlier motion was concerned.

Bryan and Bradley voted for the motion, while Faulk and Averett voted against the motion and Crittenden, Stephens and Egerton all abstained.

Commission chairman Probate Judge Marion Brunson no longer has the power to break a tie and the motion died because of the tie.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission:

- ***approved the minutes of the previous meeting with a minor change;
- ***authorized a low bid of \$5,084 from Heath Oil Company on fuel for county vehicles;
- ***authorized the engineer to take the county's matching share of a project cost to the state when the state highway department accepts the bids on the project (which includes five paving projects in Coffee County);
- ***agreed to open bids on plant mix, concrete and fuel at the April 25 meeting;
- ***approved a request from the engineer that liquid asphalt be purchased at the state bid price;
- ***agreed not to discuss potential

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LIST OF CANDIDATES IN COFFEE COUNTY	
Probate Judge	Marion Brunson - D T.R. Bowden - R Dwight Adams - R
County Commission District 1	Jimmy Bryan - D Jim DuBose - D D. Harrelson - D S. Wambles - D Leon Smart - D Hubert R. Bryan - R
County Commission District 2	Billy Eagerton - D Joe Green - D Roy Hilton - R Gary McDaniel - R
County Commission District 3	Robert Stephens - D Malcolm Davis - D John Carmley - D Pearl Davis - R Linda Kilcrease - R
County Commission District 4	Eugene Bradley - D Marvin Bowden - D Foster Motley - R
County Commission District 5	D. Crittenden - D
County Commission District 6	Wendell Hughes - D Sid Averett - R J. McCrummen - R
County Commission District 7	Bennie Beckham - D Bill Faulk - R
County School Board Place 2	Eric Wilson - D Jean McDaniel - R
County School Board Place 4	Harrell Carroll - D Mack Williams - R
County School Board Place 5	R. McKinnon - D Ozie Tubbs - D Willie Sanders - R
District Judge	Thomas Head - D
Circuit Judge #1	Terry Butts - D
Circuit Judge #2	Riley Green - D
Circuit Clerk	Jim Ellis - D
Constable Beat 2	Dan Thompson - D
Constable Beat 6	Pete Daugherty - D
Constable Beat 7	Melvin Cooper - D
Constable Beat 8	N.W. Williams - D
Constable Beat 9	Ben Moates - D
Constable Beat 10	W.R. Ammons - D
Constable Beat 11	Bobby Williams - D
Constable Beat 15	Ted Rugg - D
Constable Beat 17	H.W. Dement - D
Constable Beat 19	Tommy Danley - D
Constable Beat 22	Jack Bell - D
Congress, 2nd District	Bill Dickinson - R

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